

HB 936 -- Utilization of Telehealth by Nurses

Sponsor: Swan

This bill changes the laws regarding advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs). By January 1, 2014, the Board of Registration for the Healing Arts in the Division of Professional Registration within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration and the State Board of Nursing in the division must establish the Utilization of Telehealth by Nurses. An APRN who provides nursing services in accordance with a collaborative practice arrangement under Section 334.204, RSMo, is permitted to provide the services using telehealth if the geographic proximity requirements of the collaboration arrangement prevents the nurse from providing services in a rural area located in a health professional shortage area in Missouri. All telehealth providers are required to obtain patient consent before telehealth services are initiated and ensure confidentiality of medical information.

The provisions of the bill will expire six years after the effective date.